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Mayor Lattus, Judge Gallagher review 2012, look forward to 2013

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Realizing how important it is to watch the city's finances during touch economic times Hickman Mayor David Lattus feels keeping close control of spending is a must in 2013 for Hickman. "We will continue to upgrade our infrastructure (water, sewer, streets and maintenance equipment) while closely monitoring our finances at the same time," stated Mayor Lattus.

In 2012 the city was able to pay off a long-term note. "This past year we paid off a note we acquired several years ago from KIA (Kentucky Infrastructure Association) for a waste water plant upgrade," he noted.

"The amount we paid off was \$314,088, thus saving the city and taxpayers a sizable amount of money in interest."

Looking forward to 2013, Mayor Lattus would like to see the city continue to work toward cleaning up the town. "We need it to be clean so it will be a more desirable place to live and work," he said. "Our goal is to attract jobs and businesses."

One job in the immediate future that needs to be filled is the position of City Manager of Hickman. "We need to hire a city manager," added Mayor Lattus. "We plan to start right away with filling this integral position."

Mayor Lattus wants to continue the positive relationship the city is developing with the county government. "We need to work together so we can all be successful," he noted. "Another goal is to continue providing the same or better services for less money and by working with the county we can all achieve the same goal."

Fulton County Judge/Executive David Gallagher agrees with Mayor Lattus. "I would like to see the continued close relationship between the two cities and the county," said Judge Gallagher. "Working together to make our community attractive to small business and industry is a must."

Judge Gallagher also pointed out several positive projects achieved by the county in 2012.

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MERGED INTO ONE - New artwork on the walls of the Fulton County High School gymnasium includes this banner hung above the stage. It shows the five schools that have merged over the years to become Fulton County High School. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Hickman-Fulton Counties RECC one of 13 to receive an energy and efficiency grant

TVA settlement grants awarded to 13 Kentucky organizations, totaling \$11.2 million

Governor Steve Beshear recently announced that 13 organizations are receiving grant funding under the 2011 settlement agreement between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). The recipients include education, housing, agricultural and economic development organizations and projects. Hickman-Fulton Counties Rural Electrical Cooperative Corporation (HFCRECC) is one of the thirteen organizations who have been awarded a grant.

"These projects represent many innovative initiatives in schools, universities, private industry, agriculture, non-profits, and local government and will help us to further the state's energy and environmental goals, and provide long-term benefits to the citizens of the Commonwealth," said Gov. Beshear. "Many of the projects build upon existing programs that have already demonstrated the value of investments in energy efficiency technologies and practices."

As part of the settlement, Kentucky will receive \$11.2 million over a five-year period to implement environmental mitigation projects.

The settlement is a result from alleged violations of the Clean Air

Act that requires TVA to invest in new and upgraded state-of-the-art pollution controls that will reduce pollution, save energy and protect public health and the environment. More information on the settlement can be found at <http://www.epa.gov>.

HFCRECC has been awarded \$316,000 to support a project to replace inefficient outdoor lighting fixtures with energy efficient, long-life bulbs. The project will save more than 600 mWh/year of electricity and reduce CO2 emission by more than 440 tons/year. The project is leveraged dollar-for-dollar by HFCRECC.

Murray State University has also been awarded \$309,000 to install, test and demonstrate a biomass heating system at the MSU Equine Center. The Bio Burner Units will offset fossil fuel energy

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Many KY laws created in 2012

Kentucky General Assembly back in session

On Tuesday, Jan. 8 the Kentucky General Assembly began a "short session" with a four-day organizational session. They will then reconvene on Tuesday, Feb. 5 and adjourn on March 26. This session does include a two-week veto break prior to final adjournment. During this 30-day session many major issues will be addressed.

In 2012 several new Kentucky law were passed. "Under Kentucky law, bills become effective 90 days after the official

end of the legislative session," stated Kentucky Attorney Jason Batts. "Some bills are enacted with a certain effective date." Some of those laws became effective on January 1, 2013.

After reviewing all of the 2012 laws passed in the Bluegrass state, Batts compiled a list of the laws Kentuckians might want to take note of, including one that prohibits the release of hogs into the wild. Here in Fulton County, Judge/Executive David Gallagher said a few sightings of these animals, which can do major harm to crops when searching for food, have been seen in the upper bottom but not much in Fulton County.

Hickman County, however, is a different story. Hickman County officials and others have made great strides in riding the county of these animals who wreak havoc wherever they go.

House Bill 344 created a new section of KRS Chapter 150 prohibiting the release of a hog into the wild. It was introduced in the Kentucky House of Representatives and signed by the Governor on April 11.

Other laws worth mentioning include the following: **Confederate pensions no longer granted by the state.**

House Bill 85 repealed Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS) Chapter 206, which governed the calculation and

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PLAYER OF THE GAME - Vicious Pierce, #25, for the Lady Pilots was the player of the game in the victory over the Lady Bulldogs on Friday night. Pierce had 10 points and several rebounds. See page 5 for all the action.



Hickman Mayor David Lattus

THIS WEEK



OBITUARIES

Allen "Al" Turner
David Daniel Cobb
Dorothy "Dot" McKinnins

RIVER STAGE FORECASTS OHIO RIVER AT CAIRO, ILL.

Wednesday, Jan. 9 – 21.8
Thursday, Jan. 10 – 20.8
Friday, Jan. 11 – 19.0
Saturday, Jan. 12 – 17.3
Sunday, Jan. 13 – 16.5

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Local Weather

Thu 65/51
1/10
Showers, maybe a rumble of thunder.

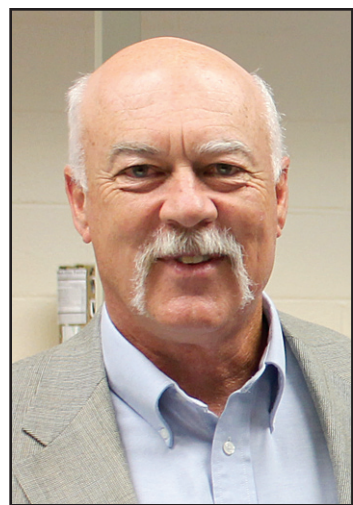
Fri 67/54
1/11
Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the mid 50s.

Sat 65/39
1/12
Showers. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the upper 30s.

Sun 42/31
1/13
Few showers. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the low 30s.

Mon 41/30
1/14
A few clouds. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the low 30s.

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Fulton County Judge/
Executive David Gallagher

Riding the Fault Line

Major cycling tour in June includes Hickman stop

A Missouri organizer is planning a major bicycle tour this summer, that will include an afternoon and overnight stop in Hickman.

Rodney McConnell, of Sikeston, came to Hickman last week to talk with local officials, and the Hickman Rotary Club, about the week long, 400 mile event called "Riding the Fault Line".

The bicycle tour is centered around the theme of the New Madrid Fault, and will include a round trip ride which will carry

participants through four states.

McConnell has been discussing the venture with Hickman Recreation and Tourist Commission Chairman Charles Choate since early December, with the two setting up the local visit to see sites of interest, specific routes and to have talks with local law enforcement, school and area tourism officials.

"This is a great opportunity for the city to have these riders spend time here," said Choate following the meeting with McConnell. "Hickman will be the

only Kentucky stop on the tour, and we are planning for them to visit our Courthouse area, the Carnegie Museum, some businesses and to have supper here that night."

McConnell said he estimates at a minimum of 250 riders, with a maximum of 500, for the initial tour.

He told those at the meeting last week that the "Riding the Fault" tour is the only one of its kind in the mid-west, which will allow those participating to end their trip at the starting point.



CYCLING TOURISM - A group of local officials gathered last week to meet with Rodney McConnell, of Sikeston, Missouri, who is organizing a week long, four state bike tour called "Riding the Fault Line". The 400-mile ride includes an overnight stop in Hickman for an estimated 250 participants. Those taking part in the preparation discussion included, (l-r) Chief of Police Tony Grogan, KYGRRO Director Norma Pruitt, McConnell, HRTCC Chairman Charles Choate, Sheriff Bobby Hopper, School System Buildings and Grounds Director Dale Jackson and Judge/Executive David Gallagher. (Photo submitted.)



THE HICKMAN COURIER

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Turning Back The Clock

25 Years Ago
March 24, 1988
Obituaries: Murrell Clifford “Murley” Roper, 75; Dollie E. (Sue) Cagle, 78; and Pete Lynn, 80.

Girl Scout Troop 115 of Hickman is a finalist in the “Take Pride In America National Awards Program,” according to an announcement from US Senator Wendell Ford’s office. Louetta Everett is the leader of the Troop.

Leah Carlton was honored at a party at McDonald’s in Union City on March 20 in observance of her 5th birthday. She is the daughter of Mark Carlton of Hickman and Dana Carlton of Union City. Grandparents are Sheriff and Mrs. Nelson D. “Corky” Hill of Hickman and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Jackson of Newbern, Tenn.

The Fulton radio station has new call letters to include the owner’s initials. the station is now know as WKZT in honor of Kenneth Turner.

Ruth Ann Rice assumed the duties of assistant in the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP). She is working with Ella May Winters.

50 Years Ago
June 17, 1963
After spending months fighting and arguing over the wage-hour bill proposed by the President, Congressmen calmed down like good chummy politicians and voted the bill into law by a 200 to 98 vote.

Alvin Edward’s Pig Stand in West Hickman was destroyed by fire Wednesday night about 12:30. The blaze was discovered by Lola Grissom after it was too late to save the building. The total loss is estimated to be about \$1,000.The origin of the fire was thought to be in the wiring that led to the Frigidaire ice cream cooler. Mr. Edwards said that he would rebuild on the same lot.

Grave concern is being felt here over what appears to be an epidemic of colitis, three infants having died within the past week. Physicians report that several patients are recovering and that the disease is now thought to be in check although four cases within the city are serious.

Donations are being received by Miss Homer Green, chairman of the civic committee of the local Woman’s club, for the purpose of piping water to the city cemetery in order to water the flowers and shrubs. A group of NYA boys are doing the excavating and pipes are being furnished at cost.

75 Years Ago
June 10, 1938
C. Wilson Randle, retiring high school principal, received a letter this week from Ed Herweck of Fresno, Calif., whereby the latter offers to send the high school boy or girl making the highest scholastic rating between September 1938 and January 1939, to the World’s Fair in San Francisco the following July or August. Mr. Hertweck makes the express stipulation that the winner must neither smoke or drink

According to Associated Press reports H.L. Amberg, acting postmaster, has been named as postmaster for Hickman for a four-year term.

A large crowd attended the baptismal services at No. 9 Lake Sunday afternoon.

Gene Jones of the Beech Grove Community had the misfortune to cut his foot badly on a piece of glass last week.

Mrs. B.G. Hale III, who will soon move into her new home on Troy Avenue, was guest of honor at a surprise kitchen shower given Tuesday evening by Mrs. Richard Goadler at the home of the latter on Moulton St.

125 Years Ago
June 17, 1888
Andrew Davis was painfully injured Friday night last, one rib being fractured, by a mishap whilst driving his buggy. The buggy in the darkness was driven from a high embankment and overturned. Mr. Davis is rapidly recovering.

The college trustees have about decided to locate the college in East Hickman provided lots can be secured at reasonable prices. If this location is made, the Public Square in front of the college will be improved and beautified and used as college playgrounds. If then, the Council will open and grade Moscow Avenue. It will be splendid improvement.

If our people don’t eat their fill of peaches and cream this summer it will be because of a failure in the supply of cream, sure. Peach trees are loaded with rapidly developing fruit, and it promises well.

More houses are being built in Hickman this season than many years past.



A SHARED PHOTO - Tommy Babb, of Martin, Tenn., son of the late Lois Watson Burnham, wanted to share this photo with everyone. Lois Watson Burnham is pictured in the third row from the front and is the sixth from the left. She was approximately 9 or 10 years old when the photo was taken at Sylvan Shade. Her sister, Frances Lucy Bailey, is fifth from the left in the second row from the front. If anyone can identify any of the others in the photo, please let us know at 270-236-3412 or hickmancourier@bellsouth.net. We have one more photo to share with you next week from Mr. Babb. (Photo submitted.)

Laws

distribution of state pensions for Confederate veterans. Some Southern states implemented such provisions as a way to honor veterans of the Confederacy living within its border after the Federal government promised to fund pensions for Union troops. The measure repealing the now-obsolete law was introduced in the Kentucky House of Representatives on January 3 and signed into law by the Governor on April 11.

Those who recycle scrap metal must now show proof of ownership and will receive their check in the mail.

House Bill 390 amended state law pertaining to copper and other valuable metals. Previously, individuals could receive cash immediately at recycling centers when turning in copper and other metals. Now, those people turning in certain metals to recycling centers will have to show proof of ownership and will receive a check in the mail so that there is a better paper trail of the transaction. This provision does not apply to individuals recycling aluminum cans. It was introduced in the Kentucky House of Representatives on February 10 and signed by the Governor on April 11.

State I.D.’s can now show if the owner of the card is a veteran.

House Bill 221 allows veterans to have their service designated on their driver’s licenses and state identification cards. The designations will make it easier for veterans to show proof of service needed for various discounts and special services available to them. The bill was introduced in the Kentucky House of Representatives on January 6 and signed by the Governor on March 28.

Occupants of 15-person passenger vans must now wear seatbelts.

Senate Bill 89 expanded Kentucky’s seat belt law to include 15-person passenger vans. The bill was the reaction to a crash on I-65 in 2010 that killed 11 people, most of whom weren’t wearing seat belts. Previous state law only required seat belt use in vehicles designed to carry ten or fewer passengers. It was introduced in the Kentucky Senate on January 11 and signed by the Governor on April 11.

School districts and personnel are now better protected against lawsuits resulting from injuries occurring after school hours.

Senate Bill 110 made it easier for school districts to allow community access to school facilities for recreational use during non-school hours by protecting the schools from

liability in cases where an injury occurs. It provides limited civil immunity from lawsuits to school districts and personnel who make school property available for recreational use by members of the community during non-school hours. It was introduced in the Kentucky Senate on January 23 and signed by the Governor on April 11.

Property owners may now carry concealed deadly weapons without a license on their own property.

HB 484 will allow Kentuckians to carry concealed weapons without a license on their property. It was introduced in the Kentucky House of Representatives on February 28

SENATOR STAN HUMPHRIES

(R-CADIZ)

Representing the 1st District
including representing Calloway, Carlisle, Fulton,
Graves, Hickman, Lyon and Trigg counties.

FRANKFORT – Hello and Happy New Year! This is the first in a series of informational columns of what’s happening in Frankfort. I hope to write you on a regular basis as we go through my first General Assembly session together.

On Tuesday, January 8, the Senate will convene for the 2013 General Assembly Session for 30 days. During the first week of the “short” session, both caucuses are traditionally busy choosing their respective leaders and making committee assignments.

I am pleased Leadership appointed me Chairman of both the Capital Planning Advisory Board and the Budget Review Subcommittee on Education, an honor for a freshman legislator. I will also be serving as Vice-Chair of both the Education Committee and the State and Local Government Committee. I will be a member of the Appropriations and Revenue Committee and the Agriculture Committee.

This session, while short, will nevertheless be busy with several important issues. As many of you know, public employee pension reform is at the top of the list. Over the summer, a bipartisan Senate and House task force heard from a diverse group of advocates and experts including state employees, business groups, and the Pew Center on the States. After hearing these reports, what is clear is the retirement system is in dire need of reform and, if not addressed, will be insolvent in a few short years. Currently, the system is only about 26% funded which represents a \$33 billion unfunded liability. Please know, teachers’ retirement is entirely different and on a relatively sound footing. The first step the tax force is recommending is to fully fund the actuarial recommended contribution (ARC). While difficult at best, it’s important to know taking steps now to reform the system will ensure a faster recovery and ease the strain on other needs like education and human services.

In addition to pension reform, the implementation of Medicaid managed care, which unfortunately, has not gone smoothly from the start is another serious issue. We’ve heard many complaints about denial of care to patients and about slow payments to doctors,

Tour

greatest amount of attention from prospective riders so far. McConnell said no other rides across the country offer the opportunity to cross the Mississippi River by such transportation. Kentucky Great River Road Director Norma Pruitt said the announcement was “very exciting news”, and a great opportunity to showcase the area.

“I am so proud to be part of this,” said Pruitt. “We have a great chance to publicize the ferry and other attractions in Hickman. We are really going to promote this and do what we have to do to make it successful.”

McConnell told Hickman Rotarians that plans might also include a possible bus ride to Columbus-Belmont State Park on the day they come to Hickman.

Plans call for the cyclists to be in Hickman on June 27, after a night in Lake County, Tennessee, with a departure the following morning by the ferry into Missouri. Arkansas would be the fourth state included in the “Riding the Fault Line” bicycle tour.

Those interested in finding out more about the week long tour can contact McConnell at rmc5487@gmail.com or 573-380-7875.

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and signed by the Governor on April 11.

Police officers can now make arrests of misdemeanor assaults that occur in hospital emergency rooms without witnessing the event firsthand.

Senate Bill 58 allows police officers to make arrests for misdemeanor assaults if altercations occur in a hospital emergency room and there is sufficient probable cause. Previously, police officers had to witness an assault in an emergency room before arresting someone. The bill was introduced in the Kentucky Senate on January 3 and signed by the Governor on April 11.

hospitals and other providers. Medicaid provides a valuable service to over 800,000 Kentuckians and it is a huge cost driver to the state budget. I want to make sure every tax dollar used to fund Medicaid is used wisely.

Since we’re talking about the importance of protecting your hard-earned income, let me point out the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Tax Reform. Recently, the group suggested raising both household and business utility rates, raising the cigarette tax, taxing retiree pensions, and eliminating certain deductions among other items. I don’t see much sentiment in the Senate for raising taxes, as we want a tax policy that grows jobs and expands the economy. Since this is a revenue measure, this type of bill must start in the House of Representatives. Yet, as your senator, I intend to be very vocal about this issue.

I feel it’s important to ensure our children are work- and career-ready. We will continue to monitor the implementation of Senate proposal (SB 1 – 2009) that puts Kentucky at the national forefront using common-core standards and fair teacher evaluations. It’s likely you’ll see Advancement Placement classes and the teachers who teach them on the Senate agenda once again, as well as a bill making it easier for high school students to graduate early. I will also carefully evaluate any school safety proposals considered during the next session.

While these are all important issues, there are others, too. Pro-life legislation, financial transparency of special taxing districts, and the impact of Obamacare on Kentucky will all be addressed in some form.

I hope this gives you an overview of the upcoming session. I’ll keep you informed as we go through session. In the meantime, if I can be of any assistance or you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please call me in Frankfort toll-free at 1-800-372-7181. You can also visit us at www.lrc.ky.gov to learn more about our work.

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RECIPE BULTRY CAKES

Courier Crumbs

Our Hickman Courier readers and Facebook friends are starting a new weekly column in the paper called the "Courier Crumbs". Each week we will share three or four old or new recipes for you to try. Please feel free to submit your own recipes for publication. Please specify if they are old or new and who they are from and send to hickmancourier@bellsouth.net or our Facebook page.

Hummingbird Cake

submitted by Barbara Hopper

3 cups self-rising flour
1 1/2 cups white sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
3 eggs
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 1/2 cups oil (I used Canola)
1 (8 ounce can) crushed pineapple, undrained
3 large bananas, mashed
1 1/2 cups pecans, chopped

Combine flour, sugar, cinnamon. Mix together with whisk. Add eggs, vanilla extract, oil, pineapple, bananas and pecans and mix with a spoon until all ingredients are moist. Spray 3 (9 inch) round cake pans or a 9 x 13 inch pan. 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes or until cake is done in center.

Cream Cheese Frosting

1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese, softened
1 stick butter, softened
1 box confectionary sugar (16 oz)
1 tsp. vanilla

Whip all frosting ingredients together with mixer until smooth. Frost your cake. Delicious!

Fireside Coffee Mix

by Karen Baker

submitted by Charlene Sheehan

2 cups non-dairy creamer
1 1/2 cup hot cocoa mix
1 1/2 cup instant coffee granules
1 1/2 cup sugar
1 tsp. ground cinnamon
1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg

Mix all ingredients together. To make coffee, mix 3 heaping teaspoons in one mug of boiling water.

Chicken and Dumplings

submitted by Laura McNeill

6 cans of Swanson's Chicken Broth
3 chicken breasts
2 cans of cream of celery soup
3 cans of biscuits

Boil chicken in the broth, remove and cut up. Once you remove the chicken, add the two cans of soup and bring to a low boil. Roll out each biscuit, cut up and add to liquid...stirring often. Once all the biscuits are added, return the chicken to the pot. Cook on low/medium heat for another 30 minutes, stirring often.



Happy Birthday



The Hickman Courier wishes all these good folks a very happy birthday! Help make their days more special by remembering them with a card or a phone call.

January 13 – Lisa Morrow McCollum, Barry Cardwell, Beverly Cardwell Brown, Derrick Craddock, Porter Logan Glidewell III, Larry Wayne Cagle, Darrell Vowell, Robby Hulin, Natalie JoyAnne Williams, Rodney Ervin, Allene Ferrell, Ray Noble White.

January 14 – Janice Andrews Henderson, and Leona Hines.

January 15 – Billy Joe Newton, Lynda Ludiker, Larry

Don Jones, Billy Allen Newton, Justin Markle, and Lawrence "Bubba" Turner.

January 17 – Bill Cook, Michael Spillers, Henry Thomas, and Wesley Blasingim.

January 18 – Ellise Falkoff, Rhonda Turnbow, Lydia Mudd, Agnes Sublette, and John Robert Hughes.

January 19 – Julius Falkoff, Nancy B. James, Robert M. Davis, Jona Somerfield, Kevin Perry, Justin Allen, Angie Mitchum, Casey Garrigus, and Sharnita Smith.

January 20 – Joe Baldridge, Venessia Gaskins, Stephanie Landa, and Amanda Warren.



ABSTINENCE EDUCATORS AT FCHS - Fulton County High School has had three abstinence educators on campus since Wednesday, Jan. 2. These educators have met with all FCHS students to discuss the dangers of using drugs, alcohol, and having sex before marriage. The picture above is Shay Locke speaking to FCHS seniors about these issues. Senior Abby Miller went to the board while participating in the program. "We would like to thank all parents for allowing your child to participate in this program," stated Assistant Principal Ellen Murphy. (Photo submitted.)



Senior Spirit

By Glenda Cochrum

I hope everyone enjoyed the celebration of Christmas as much as we did at our home. We truly enjoyed this special time of year and received the best gifts ever: plenty of hugs from our five grandchildren! Those rascals know how to put the "Ho-Ho-Ho" back in the holiday season! It was a delightful time spent together as family with the only drawback being that they had to all return to their own homes too soon!

As grandparents we all want to make the most of the precious family time we get to spend with our grandchildren. You can create deep, loving relationships with your grandchildren by sharing the things you love and by learning about what excites them. Whether you're a full-time grandparent, a step-grandparent, or a long distance grandparent living thousands of miles away, you can find new ways to strengthen family ties and provide your grandchildren with joyful memories and

valuable life lessons.

There are as many different roles for grandparents as there are different family configurations and needs. Some grandparenting requires a full-time commitment. For others, grandparenting is a weekend together, an afternoon play date, a summer vacation, a chat on the phone, or an email exchange every now and then.

A good first step to a long and successful relationship with your grandchild is to establish some ground rules with your son or daughter:

- **Be clear about what role you want to have in your grandchild's life.** How often you want to babysit, for example, or whether you'd like to be included in events such as school functions.

- **Talk with parents about their rules.** Consistency is important for kids, so know the behavior limits your grandchild has to follow at home and maintain the rules when he or

she is with you.

- **Enforce any agreed upon punishment for bad behavior,** whether it's a "time out" or loss of privileges, for example.

- **Baby proof your home,** to ensure safety for infants and toddlers. It may have been a number of years since you had young children in your home, so it's important to check with your grandchild's parents about ways to baby proof your home to ensure they're comfortable leaving the child with you.

Whatever your specific circumstances, by expressing love, showing concern for your grandchild's safety and wellbeing, and being consistent in your behavior, you are already doing a good job of grandparenting.

Words of Wisdom: We don't stop playing because we grow old. We grow old because we stop playing. ~ *George Bernard Shaw*

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Green Burnette family history through 1983 is told

Green Burnette, born 1818 in middle Tennessee, came to Hickman County about 1835 and married Elizabeth Ann Reed 1841. They settled one mile south of Union Church in a log cabin. To this union was born Mary Ann, George, Rosella, Josephine, Molly, Thomas, John and William Preston. Early in life, George and John went to Texas and Thomas to Marlow, Oklahoma. John married Alice Brown before going west. Josephine married Green Nugent; Molly married Bard Lovelace. William Preston and Lucy Naylor were married 12-25-1877, at the Naylor home near Cayce. They moved to the log home of his father while building the house standing on the Burnette farm today. Two of their grandsons own the farm also most of their great-great-

grandfather Reed's farm.

To this union were born Daisy (11-4-1878) (12-24-1965) married 12-14-1897 Charlie Bondurant (11-4-1875) (5-12-1938); Myrtle (2-15-1881) (2-13-1957); Mary (10-7-1883) (8-8-1885); Clyde Naylor (3-26-1888) (11-22-1962) married 5-17-1910 Pattie May Sigmon (12-25-1889) (12-3-1966); William Mae (9-19-1890) married 12-9-1913 James Boone Inman (8-6-1891) (5-29-1953); Cecil Ray (12-21-1892) married 6-18-1922 Lena Moore (3-2-1896) (4-2-1930) married 12-21-1934 Lucille Crawford (12-23-1891) (12-12-1980); Lucy Corinne (10-21-1900) married 11-24-1920 Malcolm Inman (10-21-1894) (7-15-1980).

The Burnette children attended Brown School and Carr Institute. Their mother

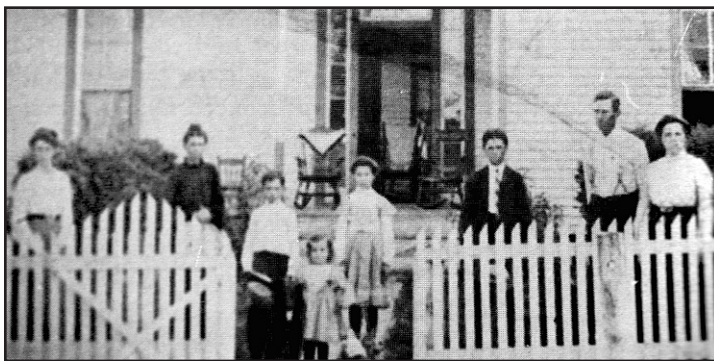
moved to McKenzie, Tennessee for Myrtle, Willie Mae and Cecil to attend Bethel College a Cumberland Presbyterian school. Willie Mae received a certificate in Expression. Cecil graduated in 1912 with a B.S. Degree. Corinne attended grade school in McKenzie and graduated from Carr Institute in 1918. Clyde attended Bowling Green Business University.

Four members of this family: William Preston, sons, Clyde and Cecil and son-in-law, Malcolm Inman have served as elders since 1886 until the present. Beginning with Archibald Reed, the Burnette family have had eight generations to attend the Union Church in the 141 years of the church.

Born to Daisy and Charlie were Clarice (6-17-1904) (12-1972) and Evelyn (9-19-1910) married 6-1935 Kenneth Oliver (-1912) (-1967). One son Kenneth Lee (9-8-1945) married 8-3-1968 Susan Coates (9-10-1946) their children are Kenneth Lee III, David and Lauren. He is a graduate of Princeton University College and Engineering and the University of Virginia Law School and is practicing Law in Philadelphia, Pa.

Willie Mae and James Boone had Jeanette (9-11-1915). She married Denver Bradshaw of Ridgely, Tennessee and had four girls. Sandra (10-9-1943) married 6-15-1963, L.C. Cantrell (6-2-1937) one daughter Natalie; Donna (7-6-1954) married 9-6-1975 Gregory Berry (5-26-1953); Dinna (7-6-1954) married 3-5-1977 Jim Wilson (2-3-1947) daughter Heather Jo; Deborah 9-26-1958 married 6-26-1976 Johnny Lewis (3-22-1957); children Jason Denver and Laura Leigh.

Editor's Note: Next week we will highlight Larry Don Burnette.



BURNETTE FAMILY - L to R: Myrtle, Lucy, Cecil, Corinne, Willie Mae and Clyde Burnette, Charlie Bondurant and Daisy Burnette Bondurant.

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, phone call and all other acts of kindness shown during my recent heart surgery at Vanderbilt Hospital and since I have returned home.
May God continue to bless you.

Sincerely,
Corrinne Castleman



FAFSA Night at Fulton County High School will be- Monday, Jan. 14 from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. and Thursday, Jan. 24 from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. Seniors and parents need to bring their 2011 tax documents. Please contact Ellen Murphy at 270-236-3904 ext. 3100 if you have questions

From the Tailgate

By Woody Woodruff

Proud to Call Her Home

I often jump in my old truck
And head out all alone
Not knowing as to where I'm
going
Or when I'll be back at home

You might say I'm like
Columbus
As I roam around this land
Discovering for myself....
America!
America...this land on which
I stand

Oh! I've seen pictures in
magazines
Read about in the History
books
But, it's when you see her
through your own eyes
You truly grasp her looks

For there are mountains that
reach the sky
Covered white with snow
The Mighty Mississippi
North to South she flows

The Bluegrass of Kentucky
Purple Sage grass of the plains
Golden Wheat fields out in
Kansas
Cool Seattle rains

In Arizona... there is the
canyon
Grande is what she'd called
And there's no prettier place on
this earth
Than the Smokies in the Fall

We have the Atlantic, the
Pacific,
the Gulf of Mexico.
The great State of Alaska
With all her snow and cold

From swamps in southern
Florida
To Bayous down Louisiana's
way
The Badlands of the Dakotas
Arches in Utah...that take your
breath away

She's been called "America the
Beautiful"
And Pard I must agree
For there's no place as beautiful
Than our own America...this
you can believe

I reckon I could go on for hours
About this land I roam
For I truly love her beauty
But mostly...I'm proud to call
her Home!

Woody Woodruff
Cowboy Poet/Humorist/Actor
2005 Academy of Western
Artists Cowboy Poet of the
Year

UT Martin names Fulton County students to fall semester Chancellor's Honor Roll

MARTIN, Tenn. — The outstanding academic achievements of undergraduate students at the University of Tennessee at Martin have been honored with publication of the Fall 2012 Chancellor's Honor Rolls for the College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences, College of Business and Global Affairs, College of Education, Health, and Behavioral Sciences, College of Engineering and Natural Sciences and the College of Humanities and Fine Arts.

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From Fulton, Ky.:

- Casey D. Dowty, Highest Honors
- Nathan T. Grasfeder, High Honors
- James D. Lucy, High Honors
- Cheryl L. Pepple, High Honors
- David F. Whitesell, Highest Honors
- From Hickman, Ky.:
- Brenna L. Coffey, Highest Honors
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Coffey leads Jr. Lady Pilots’ “Complete Game”

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent
The Fulton County Middle School Lady Pilots put together their strongest performance of the season last week, handing district rival Fulton City a 33-15 loss in Hickman.

In the win, the Lady Pilots were led by a solid offensive performance from Alana Coffey, who scored 18 points, and an aggressive defensive effort from Leslie Beth Jackson, who contributed numerous steals from Lady Bulldog players.

Coach Merry Williams said the four quarters of play was what she had been looking for

all season. “We did what I knew we could do,” said coach Williams after the game. “We all contributed, we hit our shots and played hard on defense. If we can play like this every game, we can beat anyone.

The Lady Pilots took command of the district match-up early, with Coffey providing a strong first half performance that allowed a comfortable 18-9 lead at the intermission.

Fulton County continued to stretch that lead in the third quarter, capping off a 10-0 scoring run, when Jackson hit a 3-point shot from the right wing

for a 28-9 advantage. The Lady Pilots defense also smothered Fulton City in the period, allowing the Lady Bulldogs only two points, as the quarter ended at 31-11. In the final frame, both benches were cleared for playing time, and the game ended with the final score of 33-15. The win ran the Jr. Lady Pilots record to (3-4) overall, (2-3) in district play. Following Coffey’s 18 points was Leah Weatherly with 6, Leslie Beth Jackson 5 and Jocelyn Mosely with 4. Autumn Tucker led Fulton City with 9 points.



KEEP AWAY - Leslie Beth Jackson (14), of Fulton County, tries to keep the basketball away from a Fulton City defender during a district game last week in Hickman. Jackson scored five points and had a big defensive night for the Middle School Lady Pilots, as Fulton County won the game 33-15. (Photo by Charles Choate.)

Late run drops Jr. Pilots at home

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent
For the second time this season, the Fulton City Jr. Bulldogs mounted a late game comeback to beat Fulton County in district play.

The latest effort saw the Bulldogs mount a 6-2 run with 1:30 remaining, to beat the Jr. Pilots 40-36 in Hickman.

The game was back-and-forth for almost the entire four quarters, with Fulton City leading at the end of the first period 10-9, and the Pilots leading at the intermission 19-18.

Fulton County took a 29-28 advantage into the final period, and gained the largest lead of the night for either team, when Davis Major bombed a 3-point shot to up the score to 32-28.

The game was tied again at 34-34, with 1:33 on the clock, when Aaron Ferrell and Michael Downing combined for six straight points to give the visitors a 40-34 edge.

Major scored the last basket for the Pilots with :13 to play, as Fulton County’s district record fell to (3-2).

Major led all scorers on the

night with 22 points, followed by Dre Smith with 12 points and Taylor Sipes 2.

Downing led Fulton City with 16 points, with Ferrell adding 12.



MAJOR TREY - Fulton County's Davis Major (20) bombs this 3-point shot midway through the final quarter of the Jr. Pilots home game against Fulton City. The shot gave the Pilots their largest lead of the night, but a late run by the Bulldogs propelled the visitors to a 40-36 win. (Photo by Charles Choate.)

Exploring the Great Outdoors in Kentucky

By Cory Ramsey

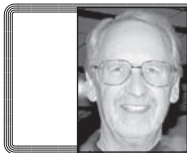
You pay attention when a white dot is flying overhead. It was deer season in the early 1990s, with sunshine and blue skies amid the cold November air. Dad and I were setting out from his truck for the woods in the frost-bitten lower bottoms of Fulton County. But that white dot stopped us in our tracks. Dad said “Look at that!” I gazed into the yonder to glimpse said dot attached to a black set of wingsunfurled high above. An amazing moment indeed as we paused our hunt long enough to salute a perfectly identified flying object: an American Bald Eagle.

Growing up near the flyway didn’t hurt. Each year thousands of fowl make their way south with a slight rest stop at the Reelfoot National Wildlife Refuge. Bald eagles are no exception. But that wasn’t always the case. A pesticide called DDT got into the food chain in the 1950s and poisoned the fish that the eagles fed on. A genetic change occurred, not really poisoning the adult bird but softening her eggshells. She would lay them per usual, and set on top of them, only to have them bust open, scrambling any chance of future bald eagles being born (that last use of vernacular went “over easy” huh?). Poor eagles. Luckily, science stepped in, found out what was happening to create the declining population, and

eventually stopped production of the pesticide. Some 30 years passed before the bald eagle was removed from the endangered species list. Now Kentucky is thick with them. Each year, the Kentucky State Parks and Department of Fish and Wildlife collaborate to give eagle tours on the two lakes that put the L’s in LBL. In 2010, I sat sail aboard a yacht called the CQ Princess on Kentucky Lake and caught sight of 58 eagles on a cold January day that had the bays frozen solid, forcing every bald bird to the main channel and clustered in groups. Some nesting, some flying, all majestic. Only a flock of American flags flapping in the wind could have mustered the same feeling of patriotism. There’s something about seeing a bald eagle that makes you realize it’s a rare moment to be cherished.

I’ve had a few glimpses since. Last month I was near the Barren River north of Bowling Green when a large black bird flew past me, white tail feathers quickly giving its identity away. Now Vette City has an eagle, too. My first hike of 2013 took place New Year’s Day in Greensburg. After a walk in the woods, I drove through the historic district of the town that lines US 68 and then turned around to head back home. Greensburg is close to Green River Lake and the tailwaters that continue the state’s longest river eventually make their

way past the city. I looked back towards the tree line that sat on the banks and spotted a white dot in the branches. Score an eagle on New Year’s Day. But the closest I have yet to come to a symbol of freedom in the wild? Twenty feet. Close. Way close. Talk about it in a newspaper column close. As fate would have it, a day when I didn’t have a camera on me. I was at Reelfoot Lake, near the old Airpark Inn and had a guest along for the ride. At the time, I was dating a WPSD anchor, and as one could imagine, I was so captured by the beauty at the moment that I failed January day to capture the beauty of the moment. Hindsight wishes I had just taken the close-up eagle picture instead. It’s as if I could have reached out and touched freedom. Perhaps the bird stayed there and didn’t care I was looking at it because he knew no picture would be snapped on this occasion. Maybe next time. If you get the chance, schedule a boat tour this month or next to see the eagles on our nearby lakes or at Ballard WMA. Information is online at www.parks.ky.gov. Or just keep looking for the white dot in the air, or in the woods.



Sports In Kentucky For the Hickman Courier

By Bob Watkins

Price of bullion is up, way up. The gold standard, defined by Kentucky’s Mitch Barnhart last year, has been re-set and belongs in Jefferson County.

As we head into mid-winter, University of Louisville athletics is on a hot streak that dazzles the mind of even the most ardent fan in Big Blue Nation.

✓ UofL has a Sugar Bowl trophy and \$17 million dollars (before the Big East takes its cut).

✓ Rick Pitino’s team survived arch-rival Kentucky, is ranked in the top five, and hasn’t lost a game since before Thanksgiving. ✓ Kentucky Mr. Football, James Quick is staying home. The MVP from Armed Forces Bowl, will sign with Louisville next month instead of Ohio State.

✓ UofL’s women’s basketball team was 12-3 last week and ranked No. 11.

From the Add On Dept.

✓ A few streets over from Belknap campus, Scotty Davenport’s Bellarmine team is unbeaten in a dozen games.

✓ Charlie Strong has a commit already from Trinity High School’s next quarterback.

✓ And, as geographically illogical as it is, Louisville will be a Tobacco Road program next year.

✓ Oh, and Rick Pitino’s horse Avare won \$75 grand at Santa Anita last week.

Gold Standard stuff.

Among the revenue-makers

...

✓ Charlie Strong, aside from a little Tennessee waltz, walked the walk and his Cardinals put a gloss on an 11-2 season by thrashing a bunch of guys and handful of hooligans dressed up as Florida Gators.

✓ Next? Quarterback Teddy Bridgewater is already a Heisman Trophy candidate. Treat to come: Watch progress and media gush over hopeful Bridgewater and Heisman holder Johnny Manziel, Texas A&M.

✓ Pitino’s team, led by a senior and five juniors, is on track to a No. 1 seed in March, but also produced a record 3.41 team GPA last semester.

Football, a bowl win, basketball, rankings, GPA and recruiting.

We know where the gold standard is in our Commonwealth and where it isn’t.

KENTUCKY

Kentucky delegation and state winners headed to Nashville for American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting

Just a few weeks after concluding its own annual meeting, a sizeable group of volunteer leaders from Kentucky Farm Bureau (KFB) is headed to the 94th annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF), set for January 13-16 in Nashville, Tennessee. Nearly 500 KFB members are traveling to Nashville to help shape Farm Bureau’s national policy agenda for 2013, take in numerous informational seminars and compete for some of the country’s top agricultural honors in a variety of contests. Set with a theme of “Many Voices, One Vision,” AFBF’s annual meeting is anticipated to draw nearly 8,000 attendees from the 50 state Farm Bureaus and Puerto Rico.

“Member involvement at all levels of the organization is crucial to keeping Farm Bureau influential and effective in protecting the interests of our nation’s farmers,” said KFB President Mark Haney, of Pulaski County, who heads the delegation from Kentucky. “Our delegation’s attendance at the American Farm Bureau annual meeting ensures that Kentucky’s key agricultural issues are voiced and included in the organization’s national policy and priorities for 2013.”

Twenty-six Kentuckians will serve as voting delegates during the business session of the annual meeting. They will join their counterparts from across the nation in debating and adopting policies on key national issues. Kentucky’s priority issues include the federal government’s fiscal policy, a national farm bill, environmental regulations, and farm labor reform.

The Kentucky delegates are: KFB President Mark

While University of Kentucky fans have paid more for less (football) and (NBA D-League) home basketball games, maybe Jefferson County gold standard, instead of being resented, should be a model worth study and imitation.

✓ Mark Stoops and Neal Brown have honeymoon time and opportunity to re-cast football, get up to Louisville’s level. Remember, the team UofL embarrassed in New Orleans is same Florida that collared Kentucky 38-0 in September.

Charlie Strong needed three years to meld credibility-to-recruit, think big time, then win big time, and carry momentum into next season. Why can’t Kentucky do the same?

✓ Basketball. UK recruiting success IS the gold standard in college hoops. Yet, since UK fans expect national titles, their teams have only one in four years. Will 25 percent satisfy the faithful?

Only one *player*, as John Calipari calls them, has been at UK long enough to put the word experience on his resume’. Thanks to Maysville, and Billy Clyde Gillispie, Darius Miller stands as alone as role model deluxe. Miller has the big triple – NCAA title ring, college degree and regular NBA paychecks.

Bottom line? Kentucky needs new emphasis on name on front of jersey and less about Cal’s crow, “At Kentucky it’s all about the players.”

Kentucky basketball has been about more than players, and more than an NBA farm team for more than seven decades. The program’s real owners are millions of fans of all ages who buy tickets, merchandise and, most of all, invest love and respect for student-athletes who want to play basketball where it is revered most, in Kentucky.

FRESH BREEZE AT KENTUCKY

Here came a fresh breeze for UK basketball fans last weekend.

In front of ESPN cameras Dakari Johnson chose Kentucky over Georgetown and Syracuse. The 6-10, 250-pounder’s reasons made the big kid’s college pick special.

Why Kentucky? Johnson skipped the mercenary “Kentucky can get me to the league!” line, stayed politically correct - Wants to win a national championship. And likes the idea of coaches

pushing him, make him better.

Best part? “... I’m a good teammate,” he said. “I’m a good person on and off the floor.”

Then came the magic and that causes Kentucky fans to fall in love. The smile.

BOWL NOTES

• Ohio State, Alabama and ... Louisville will be in the top 5 out of the chute next season. And, four games into the season, three at home, the Cards should have completed its pre-league patsyportion 4-0, (Ohio U. Eastern Kentucky, (at) Kentucky and Florida International).

• Grand Lesson. Florida’s humiliation in the Sugar Bowl is worth a video for every coach who gets his team bowl eligible and needs a pre-game speech. “Gentlemen, you’re about to see what happens when you go home for Christmas and only your silhouette comes back.”

• Sa-LUTE to Vanderbilt and Northwestern. The Commodores (9-4) and Wildcats (10-3) wallowed North Carolina State and Mississippi State respectively in bowl games, to wrap up school record seasons.

Vandy defeated Northwestern in September and was set to host the Wildcats in Nashville in 2013, but cancelled because the ‘Dores had five non-SEC games schedule. Vandy also cancelled a game at Ohio State next season.

MILESTONE MABRY

Pleasure Ridge Park’s Dale Mabry entered Ball Coaches Golden Circle last week, and solidified his Hall of Fame resume’. Our state’s third high school basketball coach to reach 800 wins. Mabry’s name is in distinguished company with William Kean and Billy Hicks.

Reactions to his milestone, Mabry showed proper modesty and good wit, “... just means I’ve been around too long,” he told a television reporter.

Mabry credited assistants Larry Kihnley and Mike Baxter and all those who played at PRP during his 32 years.

Mabry’s success is as much about consistency as 800 wins. In PRP’s last seven seasons, the Panthers won more than 20 games six times. The Panthers won the state championship in 1989.

Dale Mabry has not “stayed too long,” but has devoted 32 years of life to school and community.

What higher tribute? And so it goes.

Kentucky delegation and state winners headed to Nashville for American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting

Haney, Nancy; KFB First Vice President Eddie Melton, Sebree; KFB Second Vice President J. Fritz Giesecke, Horse Cave; Carroll Amyx and Phyllis Amyx, Campton; Alex Barnett, Cynthia; David L. Campbell, Stanford; David Chappell, Sparta; Randy Chrisman, Lawrenceburg; Jay Coleman, Cave City; Terry Gilbert, Danville; Pat Henderson, Irvington; Bige Hensley, Manchester; **Glen Howel, Fulton**; Mary Kate Kordes, Central City; Joe Paul Mattingly, Rawick; Kim McCoy, Burkesville; David McGlone, Grayson; Jason McGlone, Grayson; Russell Poore, Russellville; Terry Rowlett, Campbellsburg; Larry Thomas, Elizabethtown; Scott Travis, Cox’s Creek; Danny Wilkinson, Columbia; Holden Williams, Bays; and Shane Wiseman, Winchester.

Additionally, Boyle County’s Terry Gilbert, chair of the AFBF Women’s Committee and member of both the state and national Farm Bureau boards, will preside over a variety of women’s activities at the annual meeting.

Several of Kentucky’s state-level winners will also vie for top honors against competitors from around the country. KFB will be represented in the Young Farmer & Rancher Achievement Award competition by Ryan and Misty Bivens of LaRue County, in the Excellence in Agriculture contest by Greg and Contessa Harris of Madison County, in the Discussion Meet by Stacy Vincent of Fayette County,

and in the County Activities of Excellence contest by Mercer County Farm Bureau. Greg and Contessa Harris were additionally named 2013-15 members of AFBF’s Young Farmer & Rancher Committee. Their term officially begins on March 1, 2013.

For additional information regarding the AFBF annual meeting in Nashville, visit annualmeeting.fb.org.

Spirit

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The following items with be served at the Senior Center next week:

Monday, Jan. 14

Thick and juicy steak, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, spinach salad, whole-wheat roll, ambrosia, and skim milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 15

Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, angel food cake, peach slices, peanuts, and skim milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 16

Chili con carne, baked potato, saltine crackers, chocolate pudding, tossed salad, and skim milk.

Thursday, Jan. 17

Baked ham, baked sweet potato, green beans, whole-wheat roll, fruit cup, and skim milk.

Friday, Jan. 18

Pork roast, pinto beans, turnip greens, cornbread, pineapple cheesecake, and skim milk.

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DEFINITIVE GRAB - Vicious Pierce of the Lady Pilots was busy Friday night grabbing many rebounds during district action with the Lady Bulldogs. Here Pierce (center) pulls down another rebound with Lady Bulldogs Chelsea Williams (left) and Karessha Westbrook (right) attempting to take the ball away. Pierce finished with 10 points on the night during the Lady Pilot victory 40-31. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Pierce sisters lead Lady Pilots to victory

Charlotte Smith
Editor

After blowing a halftime lead during the first district match up with the Lady Bulldogs back on December 14, Lady Pilots head coach Leonard Smith, Sr. was determined his players would play all four quarters of Friday night's game with energy and intensity. With the game tied at the half and again after three quarters of play, the Lady Pilots were giving Coach Smith everything they had to win the game. In the final quarter, after terrific play from Vicious Pierce and Alexis Dickson, Senior Denisha Pierce's seven-points put the Lady Pilots on top giving them the district win 40-31.

After the first quarter of play on the court in Hickman, the Lady Bulldogs held a slim lead up by four, 9-13.

In the second quarter Vicious Pierce worked hard pulling down rebounds and scoring the first basket to pull the Lady Pi-

lots within two. A foul by Lucy Kimble would give the Lady Bulldogs the advantage and the four-point lead was maintained. Kimble would later hit one of two free throws after a Lady Pilot two-point bucket to pull her team within one point of the visitors with 3:34 to go in the opening half.

Vicious Pierce would continue to play tough and connected on one of two from the free throw line to tie the game at 15 all with just over three minutes to go.

A steal and a basket by Karessha Westbrook put the Lady Bulldogs back on top. With just over a minute to go in the half Alexis Dickson would hit one of two from the free throw to pull the home team within one.

A steal by Vicious Pierce would give the Lady Pilots a chance to take the lead before heading into the locker room, but an offensive foul would give the ball back to the visitors in dark blue.

Another steal by Vicious Pierce and one of two again from the charity stripe by Dickson would knot the game at 17 with 58:7 seconds to go. Buckets on both sides of the court before the buzzer sounded at the half, kept the game tied at 19 a piece.

Unlike the first match up when the Lady Pilots came out sluggish in the second half, the ladies matched the first half's intensity. Vicious Pierce continued to dominant the boards for the Lady Pilots. Play on both sides of the ball kept the game close and at the end of three quarters of play the game was still tied now at 29 a piece.

During the final eight minutes of the game the Alexis Dickson and Vicious Pierce caught the eye of Coach Smith. Their tough defensive play, along with Denisha Pierce's seven-point quarter put the game away for the home team.

The Lady Pilots took not only the victory, but also put themselves at the top of the standings in the first district winning the game by nine, 40-31.

Turnovers were high for both sides, but pretty equal. The Lady Pilots had 28 to the Lady Bulldogs 28. One big difference in the game was the Lady Pilots only committed five personal fouls in the entire game. This kept the Lady Bulldogs from scoring from the charity stripe.

"I was really excited that the girls came out with more energy this game," stated Coach Smith "It is always a tough battle when you play Fulton City. All rivalries are tough. I knew playing the Lady Bulldogs after Christmas would pose a challenge for my team.

"Vicious Pierce and Alexis Dickson played a great game. Most of all we played as a team," he said. Coach Smith was also pleased with the unselfish play of his team as they passed the ball and looked for the open person giving them the chance to take the open shot.

"They never gave up," added Coach Smith. "They each played their role and we looked like a team, running plays and we had good defensive sets. The girls wanted to win tonight I saw it in their eyes,."

Coach Smith was proud of all the players, including Denisha Pierce who had a great fourth quarter. "I see a bright future for them," he said. "I can say if you take us lightly, we will come out with a w (win)."

Realizing that one game does not control the destiny of the Lady Pilots, Coach Smith has told his players that "we control our own destiny."

Denisha Pierce paced all the Lady Pilots with 15 points with sister Vicious close behind with 10. Kimble, Dickson, and Del-raysha Alexander each had five points on the night.

The Ladies Pilots were back in action on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at home hosting the Lady Pirates of Heath.

Miller and Frame make things difficult Friday night for the Pilots' offense

Charlotte Smith
Editor

After winning three in a row during a Christmas tournament the Fulton County Pilots were back at home on Friday night, Jan. 4 to face their cross county rivals the Fulton City Bulldogs. Even with Steven Roberson back in the lineup (he missed the Dec. 14 game due to sickness) the Pilots had trouble finding the answer to get through the defense of the Bulldogs' big men Jordan Miller, #42, and Kahlil Frame, #44. It was 3 to 5 with 4:54 to go in the first quarter and that was the closest the Pilots ever came to pulling out in front of the visitors, before falling 38-60.

"It was a tough game and our shots were not falling," stated Pilot Head Coach Andrew Clinton. "With both Frame and Miller inside Fulton City will be a difficult match-up for most teams in the First Region."

Freshman Joe Holman, coming off a fine performance as an all-tournament player in the Christmas tourney, scored the first points of the game for the Pilots on a three-point play with three minutes to go in the opening quarter. Senior LaKarian Johnson added two points along with another another bucket from Holman to give the Pilots seven points to the Bulldogs' 19 after the first eight minutes of play.

Holman and Octavious Smith were the only two Pilots to score in the second period as the Bulldogs jumped out to a 22 point half time lead.

Smith connected on two shots from behind the arc and another bucket late in the third quarter, scoring eight points for the home team. Roberson and Holman

added another two-points each, but the Pilots went into the final quarter of the game down by 25 (21-46).

The Pilots put up their most points in a quarter, with 17 points. Unfortunately the Bulldogs also scored frequently in the fourth quarter, knocking down 14 points, keeping the Pilots at bay and down by 22 (38-60).

"We have several players who have not played varsity basketball before and others with limited experience,"

added Coach Clinton. "As a team we just have to continue working and improve in time for districts."

Scoring and rebounds, went like this: Holman, 9 points and 5 rebounds, Smith 11 points, 4 rebounds, Roberson 6 points and 3 rebounds, DeVontae Hampton and Johnson with 2 points each, and LaDarrian Polk with 1 point.

The Pilots will be back in action on Friday, Jan. 11 traveling to Carisle County for another district matchup.



REACHING - Fulton County Pilot Austin Matheny, #24, reaches up to defend the shot of Bulldog Khalil Frame, #44, during Friday night's action in the Hickman gym. The Bulldogs won the victory 60-38. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Visit our old-growth forests including the Letourneau Woods right here in our county

By Andy Mead

When Daniel Boone found his way through the Cumberland Gap, he entered a forest wilderness so immense it is hard for us to imagine. Now it is estimated that 99 percent of Kentucky's forests have been cleared or logged at least once.

Old-growth forests are so rare that most Kentuckians have never been in one. But there are still a few places where people can go to see the large trees, clean streams, and profusion of wildflowers that botanists call "the original equipment."

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Enter it from the Wilson Access, off Upper Bottom Road in Fulton County. Owned by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, portions were purchased with funds from the Heritage Lands Conservation Fund Board. For more information, call the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife at (800) 858-1549.

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Blanton Forest is managed by the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission. For more information on Blanton Forest State Nature Preserve, go online to www.naturepreserves.ky.gov, or call (606) 633-0362. You can also go to Kentucky Natural Land Trusts online at www.knlt.org/blanton_map.html for directions, trail map, and additional info.

Most people who visit Mammoth Cave National Park are drawn by the world's longest cave system, but The Big Woods provides a 300-acre reason to spend some time aboveground. Rick Olson, a park service ecologist, says the woods include some very large old trees, as well as younger ones. Its history is unclear, but unlike other places in the park, there are no

old stumps to suggest that it has been logged. The Big Woods is in Hart County in the northeast corner of the park. There are no signs marking the tract, and no hiking trails. People who want to rough it can stop by the park's Visitor Center for directions and a map. Parking is available.

Mammoth Cave National Park is located at 1 Mammoth Cave Parkway, Mammoth Cave, KY 42259, or call (270) 758-2180.

A Letcher County man named Lilley Cornett came home from World War I and began buying up parcels of forested land now known as the Lilley Cornett Woods. By the time he died in 1958, he owned 554 acres, 252 of which are old-growth. Eastern Kentucky University manages it. Biologist William H. Martin, who was instrumental in seeing that it would be permanently protected, says it is the finest remaining example of the mixed mesophytic forest that once blanketed the region.

Lilley Cornett Woods is located at 91 Lilley Cornett Branch, Skyline, KY 41821, or call (606) 633-5828.

Editor's Note: This article ran in the January 2010 edition of Kentucky Living.



CONNECTING FOR TWO - Denisha Pierce gets ready to connect on two of her 15 points during Friday night's high school basketball action. Pierce puts up her shot with Lexi Snow, #55, and Nekkesia Jackson, #14, defending for the Lady Bulldogs. The game was tied at 29 all through three quarters. The Lady Pilots pulled out the victory 40-31. (photo by charlotte Smith.)

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Obituaries

Allen “Al” Turner

Mr. Allen “Al” Turner, 99, a resident of Kokomo, Ind., formerly of Hickman, Ky., died December 18, 2012, at his home.

Born January 21, 1913 in Ripley, Tenn., he was the fifth of nine children born to the union of the late John Lesley Turner and Ida (Sanford) Turner. He enlisted in the Army for a short time and was honorably discharged in 1943. After discharge, he relocated to Warren, Ohio and was employed with Republic Steel Company in 1944 until he retired in 1977. He was a member of Grace A. M.E. Church. After relocating to Kokomo, he attended Wayman A.M.E. Church.

Survivors include his devoted and loving son, James Turner (Queenie); five grandsons, Roy Turner (Sharon), Carl Turner, Reginald Perry (Cheryl), Shawn Willis (Janelle) and Cedric Lyons; five granddaughters,

Renita Turner, Sharnette Shin, Robbie Schaefer (Stanley), Tracey Lyons, and Terene Davis; 21 great-grandchildren and 17 great-great grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Georgia Turner and Idella Turner; three special nieces, Russelyn Gore, Shirley Cross (Leonard) and Katie May Akins, one special nephew, Melvin Lee Akins and a host of nieces, nephews and loved ones.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Beatrice (Akins) Turner, whom he was married to for over 60 years, died November 20, 2012; one son, Allen Edward (Joe) Lyons, Sr.; his parents, and his siblings, Elsie, Clara, Lawrence (Bubba), Lillie Mae, Lillian, Sanford, Wyatt and Thomas; and one grandson, Allen Edward Lyons, Jr.

Services were held January 5, 2012, at Rawls Funeral Home Chapel in Union City, Tenn., with Shawn Willis officiating. Interment followed in Hickman City Cemetery.

David Daniel Cobb

Mr. David Daniel Cobb, 33, a resident of Sedalia, Ky., died December 26, 2012, at Western Baptist Hospital.

Born November 25, 1979, in Union City, Tenn., he was the son of William Cobb of Minneapolis, Minn., and the late Nina Bell Courtney. He was married to Holly (Glover) Cobb of Sedalia.

Survivors, in addition to his father and wife, include his children, David D. Cobb, Jr. and Shaquala Cobb, both of Clinton, Ky., and David Rodabaugh,

Dorothy (Dot) McKinnis

Mrs. Dorothy (Dot) McKinnis, 85, a resident of Hickman, Ky., died January 4, 2012 at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Union City, Tenn.

Born March 19, 1927, she was the daughter of the late Noel and Vassie Wilkerson. She was a lifelong member of the West Baptist Church in Hickman.

Survivors include two sons, D. R. (Peggy) McKinnis of Union City, and Tony (Jane) McKinnis of Leawood, Kan.; six grandchildren, Jon (Tabitha) McKinnis, Joel McKinnis and Jacob McKinnis, all of Union City, Tristan McKinnis of Chicago, Ill., Rachel McKinnis and Daniel McKinnis, both of Leawood; and one great-grandchild, Blair McKinnis of Union City; two brothers, Gary Joe (Dolly) Wilkerson of Fulton, Ky., and Bill (Jettie) Wilkerson of Hickman; and one

sister, Peggy (Lawrence) Haney of South Fulton, Tenn.

Her husband, Hugh E. McKinnis, three brothers, Howard Wilkerson, James B. Wilkerson and Richard Wilkerson, and four sisters, Juanita Whitten, Lavern Grissom, Ruth King and Donna Lattus, preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held at the West Baptist Church in Hickman on January. Burial followed in the Hickman City Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Jon McKinnis, Joel McKinnis, Jacob McKinnis, Daniel McKinnis, Garrett Wilkerson, Tim Wilkerson and Mike Wilkerson. Honorary pallbearer was James Gray.

Strong Funeral Home of Hickman was in charge of arrangements.



LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has duly qualified as Executrix for the estate of Glenda B. Adams, deceased. All persons indebted to said estate shall pay any such indebtedness promptly, and all persons having claims against said estate shall present the same, properly verified according to law, to the undersigned, Hon. Robert L. Page, Jackson & Page, PLLC, P.O. Box 7603, Paducah, KY 42002-7603, or Sarah Johnson Circuit Clerk, P.O. Box 198, Hickman, KY 42050, no later than July 19, 2013.

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Hickman Police Department News

The Hickman Police Department reports these arrests, citations, investigations and fire calls for Hickman and Cayce Volunteer Fire Departments for Sunday, Dec. 30 – Saturday, Jan. 5:

Sunday, Dec. 30:
• Responded to a noise complaint on Holly St.
• Responded to a disturbance on Holly St.
Monday, Dec. 31:
• Responded to a noise complaint at Davis Park.
• Traffic stop on Valley St.
• Assisted Tri-City EMS at Indian Hills.
• Investigated a suspicious person on 7th St.
• Traffic stop on Cottonwood Dr.

• Traffic stop on 7th St. – Matthew Stanfield cited for failure to maintain insurance.
• Traffic stop on Hall St.
• Responded to a disturbance on Allison St.
• Responded to a noise complaint on 7th St.
• Assisted Tri-City EMS at Hickman Manor.
Tuesday, Jan 1:
• Responded to a noise complaint on Troy Ave.
• Responded to a noise

complaint on Cedar St.
• Responded to a commercial burglar alarm on Broadway St.
• Traffic stop on 7th St. Wednesday, Jan 2:
• Responded to noise complaint at Black’s Pecans.
• Traffic stop on 7th St.
• Responded to a juvenile complaint on Terrace Dr.
Thursday, Jan 3:
• Traffic stop on Catlett St.
• Responded to a call at Fulton County High School.
• Responded to a juvenile complaint at Fulton County High School.
Friday, Jan 4:
• Investigated an abandoned vehicle on Moscow Ave.
• Traffic stop on 7th St.
• Traffic stop on Union City Hwy.
• Traffic stop on Moscow Ave.
• Traffic stop on 7th St.
• Responded to a call on Tennessee St. – report taken for assault.
Saturday, Jan 5:
• Responded to a 911 Hang up on Atwood St.
• Responded to a call on Market St. – report taken for criminal mischief.

Fulton County Sheriff’s News

The Fulton County Sheriff’s Department reports these arrests and citations for Friday, Dec. 28 – Friday, Jan. 4:

Friday, Dec. 28:
Brandi Alley of Union City, Tenn., white female, citation, speeding 72/55 mph zone, failure of owner to maintain required insurance 1st offense, no/expired registration plates.
• Daniel Lewis III of Vincennes, Ind., white male, citation, speeding 100/70 mph zone.
• Donald Demarco of South Fulton, Tenn., black male, arrested, failure to appear, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, 1st offense.
• Vernon Kinney of Hickman, Ky., black male, citation, possession of marijuana.
• Ruby Fowler of Fulton, Ky., white female, citation, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, 1st offense.
• Bobby Pierce of Hickman, black male, arrested, failure to appear.

Wednesday, Jan. 2:
• Karen Craig of Union City, Tenn., white female, arrested, fugitive from justice.
• Shamelle Pierce of Hickman, black male, arrested, trafficking in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense, and persistent felony offender.
• Larry Vancleave of Union City, white male, arrested, criminal possession of forged instrument, 2nd degree.
• Karen Craig of Union City, white female, summons, theft by deception including cold checks (under \$500.00).

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Friday, Jan. 4:
• Richard Turnbow of Kenton, Tenn., white male, arrested, failure to appear.
• Robert Hurt II of Dyersburg, Tenn., white male, citation, speeding 80/55 mph zone.
• Carletta Johnson of Hickman, black female, arrested, failure to appear.
• Ladredus Moffatt of Hickman, black male, arrested, hindering prosecution or apprehension – 2nd degree.
• Lakeshia Johnson of Hickman, black female, arrested, theft by deception including cold checks (under \$10,000).
• Megan A. Davis of Martin, Tenn., white female, citation, speeding 71/55 mph zone.

Angel Rausch of Hickman, white female, arrested, criminal possession of forged instrument, 2nd degree (4 counts).
• Jarryd Smith of Charleston, Mo., white male, citation, speeding 70/55 mph zone.
• Lakenya Westbrook of Fulton, black female, citation, operating suspended or revoked operator’s license.
• Jennifer Gliniewicz of West Paducah, Ky., white female, citation, speeding 70/55 mph zone.
Saturday, Jan. 5:
• Atlantis Price of Columbus, Ky., black female, arrested, speeding 71/55 mph zone, operating on suspended or revoked operator’s license, license to be in possession.

Bluff Briefs

Recycling of paper products to be in Hickman
Recycling of paper products will be collected on Saturday, Jan. 12, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., at the Fulton County Road Department in Hickman.

FAFSA Nights at Fulton Co. High School
FAFSA Night at Fulton County High School will be - Monday, Jan. 14 from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. and Thursday, Jan. 24 from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. Seniors and parents need to bring their 2011 tax documents. Please contact Ellen Murphy at 270-236-3904 ext. 3100 if you have questions.

Retired Teachers to meet
The Fulton City-Fulton County Retired Teachers will meet Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 11 a.m., at The Keg Restaurant on Lake St., in Fulton. All members are urged to attend.

Fulton County High School Site-base council to meet
The Fulton County High School Site-base Decision making council will meet on Monday, Jan. 28, 2013, from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., in the high school library.

Assistance Available for Area Veterans
Veterans and their families will be provided counseling and assistance in filing claims for state and federal benefits. This is a free service provided by the state of Kentucky. For more information please contact Ron McClure, Regional Field Representative, Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs (KDVA) at (270) 247-2455 ext. 73905 to schedule an appointment. Mr. McClure schedule for January 14 - 18 is as follows: **Monday, Jan. 14**, Mayfield, VA Clinic, 1253 Paris Rd, 9:00 – 2:30; **Tuesday, Jan. 15**, Not Available; **Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 16 and 17**, Paducah, VA Clinic, 2620 Perkins Creek Rd., 9:00 – 2:30; Walk-ins will be scheduled an appointment. You may also email Mr. McClure at ronald.mcclure@ky.gov.

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Fulton County Sheriff’s Office and KSP make known safety check points

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The intent of a traffic safety checkpoint is to provide for a high visibility, public safety service, focusing on vehicular equipment deficiencies, confirming appropriate registration and insurance of vehicles, and the valid licensing of drivers. Violations of law or other public safety issues that arise shall be addressed.

Traffic safety checkpoints will allow the FCSO and KSP the opportunity to periodically concentrate its efforts in checking for violations of Kentucky traffic and regulatory laws that will ultimately increase the safety of the citizens within the Commonwealth. Drivers encountering a traffic safety checkpoint are requested to have their operator’s license, vehicle registration receipt and proof of insurance readily accessible. Drivers with this information in hand, those with no violations of law and minimal roadway congestion can reasonably expect to be delayed for no more than 30 seconds to a few minutes.

These are the FSCO highway safety and sobriety check points which will be maintained throughout the year:
• Ky. 45 at Ky. 307 Old Terry Petty Chevrolet Area
• Ky. 51 at County Farm Road
• Ky. 94 at Ky. 239 Cayce In-

tersection
• Ky. 239 at Ky. 166 4-Points Intersection
• Ky. 239 at Tenn. State Line Jordan Area
• Ky. 125 at Ky. 1099 Little General Area
• Ky. 1099 at Ky. 309 Old Fruit Stand Area
• Ky. 166 at Ky. 781 Liberty Baptist Church Area
• Ky. 166 at U.S. 51 McDonalds Area
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• Ky. 94 at Ky. 1099 The Dip Area
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• Ky. 309 at Tenn. State Line
• Ky. 311 at Ky. 1282 Reserve Road
• Ky. 311 at Tenn. State Line Townsend Rd. at Tenn. State Line
And at any other intersection designated to be a check point by Kentucky State Police.

Listed below are the supervisory-approved traffic safety checkpoint locations in Fulton County patrolled by the KSP, Post 1 district:
* US 45 – at KY 307
* US 51 – at old KSP/CVE Scale Facility
* KY 94 – at KY 1099 (west of Hickman)
* KY 94 – at KY 239 (4-way stop intersection) Cayce
* KY 116 – at KY 166
* KY 125 – at KY 166
* KY 125 – at KY 1099
* KY 129 – at Fulton/Hickman County line
* KY 166 – at KY 239
* KY 309 – at KY 1099
These locations and other counties covered by KSP can be found on their website, www.kentuckystatepolice.org.

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet seeks public input on 20-year plan

Survey will help plan strategy for improved system

In 2035, what will be our transportation needs for Kentucky? Will our focus be on maintaining and improving existing roadways, constructing new roads, or issues concerning other modes of transportation? Kentucky Transportation Cabinet officials are asking these questions as they update the Kentucky Long Range Transportation Plan.

In determining the transportation needs for all areas of Kentucky over the next two decades, the updated plan will consider changes in communities, freight movement, financial resources, economic development, rural and urban transportation, the environment and other transportation issues that are impacting you.

The process of updating the Kentucky Long Range Transportation Plan has begun. The new plan will be an overarching policy guide with goals, objectives and strategies to address the core transportation opportunities and challenges facing each of us.

“A strong transportation system is vital to a strong economy and key to maintaining a high quality of life for Kentucky residents and those who travel through the state,” Transportation Cabinet Secretary Mike Hancock said. “This long-range plan currently in the works is the perfect way to establish

our transportation focus for the next two decades.”

As part of the planning process, The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has designed and will widely distribute a confidential public survey to gauge the transportation expectations of all those who travel the state.

The “Your Turn” survey will run Jan. 9-Feb. 25. It consists of 19 questions concerning demographics, transportation needs and desires, and funding options. Your input will be used to plan for the future transportation system for you, your family and your community.

The survey will be available in electronic and hard copy form in English and Spanish. A link to the “Your Turn” survey and other transportation information can be found by visiting www.transportation.ky.gov and clicking on the “Your Turn” survey link. You can also access “Your Turn” directly at the link yourturn.transportation.ky.gov. This direct link will also provide compiled survey results in late 2013 as well as other information throughout the update of this Long Range Plan.

Paper surveys are available at:

- KYTC highway district offices
- Area Development District offices
- Metropolitan Planning Organization offices
- Transportation Cabinet Office Building, 200 Mero St., Frankfort

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Facilities with hazardous substance(s) of 10,000 lbs. or more are required to submit material safety data sheets (one time a year); each March 1 Tier II and user fees. Facilities with extremely hazardous substance(s) above threshold planning quantity, are required to submit MSDS sheet (one time a year); each March 1 submit Tier II reports, user fees and update the facility response plan.

THE FULTON COUNTY LEPC WILL MEET APRIL 3, 2013 AT 10 A.M. AT THE FULTON COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING 300 EASTWOOD DRIVE FULTON, KENTUCKY AND NOVEMBER 5, 2013 AT 10 A.M. AT THE FULTON COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING 2216 MYRON CORY DRIVE HICKMAN, KENTUCKY.

2012/2013

This includes:

Consolidated dispatch
“Fulton County Dispatch was a plus for the community,” he said. “It will save us some money in the long run. It will allow us to run a professional service and seek status as a PSAP to defray a lot of that cost.” He thinks they will reach that status within a year and a half.

Ambulance Service
“Resolving the ambulance service issue when it came up early in the year was another positive venture for our county,” Judge Gallagher said. “The ambulance service was taken over by Parkway Regional Hospital. It allows the ambulance service to maintain a high degree of professionalism and serve everyone in the county.”

Airport Expansion
“The Fulton Airport project was completed” he added “extending the runway. We already had some clients, potential investors fly in and use the facility.”

Formation of Kentucky GRRO
He also sees nothing but good coming from the formation of Kentucky GRRO (Great River Road Organization). Director Norma Pruitt was hired to promote tourism along the Great River Road. “This is a positive impact for small businesses in Fulton and Hickman counties,” Judge Gallagher noted. “It will provide advertising opportunities for small businesses and tourism statewide and along the Great River Road.”

KY-Tenn Regional Alliance hires new director
“In September 2012 we hired Hollie Holt as the new director of the Ky-Tenn Regional Alliance,” he said. “Holt will assist with promoting businesses and ports along the rivers.”

Looking ahead to 2013
“Our number one priority still is jobs,” stated Judge Gallagher looking at 2013. “We have seen an increase in activity with companies particularly German companies and overseas companies looking in this area.” There hasn’t been much in a way of announcements yet, but he did note that there was one announcement in Calloway County with the possibility of another one and one in McCracken County and south of here in Tennessee.

“There has been a lot more

interest all of a sudden,” he said. “People who have money are waiting to see what the economic climate is going to be like.

Major issues in 2013
Judge Gallagher also sees the outcome of the debt ceiling issue as an area of great importance in this area. “If companies or businesses are going to expand our financial house has got to be in order,” he said. “That is out of our control. It is federal.” That will come to a head in March 2013. He believes it will be interesting to see how that all pans out.

On Facebook on Friday, Jan. 4 Senator Rand Paul stated, “I will not vote to raise the debt ceiling unless we get a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution because so far I’ve seen no objective evidence to trust the Obama administration. They set spending limits but always go beyond them. They’re not trustworthy with money or very good with it. We shouldn’t give them anymore. We should cut spending and make government smaller.”

“The enemy of all business expansions is taxes,” added Judge Gallagher. “Kentucky needs to address this issue and so does the federal government. They don’t seem to be inclined to do that.

“If small businesses can save money on taxes, they can create jobs,” explained Judge Gallagher. “If you increase taxes it may cost someone their job. Instead of adding a job, a job might actually be cut.”

He also sees EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) regulations as another big issue we face in 2013. “EPA regulations have got to be slackened to help create job expansion,” he said. “We are not ready to go green yet and there is no proof that going green is going to be the answer to all of our environmental issues. We can’t continue punishing fossil fuels.”

Judge Gallagher did note that EPA got slapped down on an issue recently regarding run-off water that he feels would have been catastrophic to businesses and industry. “Someone with good sense in the judicial system slapped it down,” he said. “That is a positive for expansion.”

He continued, “Businesses do like everyone else. They look for tax breaks and where the union

problems are while also looking at the current EPA issues.”

He would like to see the state of Kentucky become a right-to-work state. “It wouldn’t hurt,” he said. “Michigan, a big unionized state, is looking at it. They realize industry is not going to expand in a pro-union state.”

“Something that will have an impact in the state of Kentucky will be the healthcare issue,” he remarked. “The increase in Medicare costs will be big for the state.”

Switching to the federal government Judge Gallagher touched on free handouts and our country’s debt. “We will be at the mercy of the federal government if they don’t address entitlements and then debt,” he said. “If they don’t get that under control, they will limit expansion. Businesses will not grow in that climate.”

A controversial issue-Gay Marriage
Judge Gallagher agrees with Kentucky’s good sense, so far, not to promote gay marriage, which he believes affects the social and morale fiber of our country. “We confuse individual liberties with sexual deviation. Gay marriage is an abomination not a civil rights issue. It should be treated for what it is, it should not be condoned,” he strongly stated. “The very moral and fiber structure of this nation is under attack.”

On the Horizon
On Thursday, Jan. 3 we learned that Rodney McConnell from Sikeston, Mo. was in Hickman promoting a seven-day bicycle tour with plans to come through this part of the county with the possibility of having 250-500 bicyclists spend the night here. McConnell has plans to ride through four states including Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky. “This is a good thing for us,” stated Judge

Gallagher. “With KY GRRO we can help promote it and tourism dollars can be gained through the event.”

This year is an off-election year, but next year Senator Mitch McConnell and Congressman Ed Whitfield will be running for re-election.

Overall, Judge Gallagher believes that there is not a revenue issue, federally and in the state. “It is a spending issue,” he said. “We have to draw the line somewhere when it comes to entitlements. You can not continue to promote a non-work climate.”

Fulton County Magistrate George A. Jones agrees and he feels the country needs to get out of it the same way we got into it. “Slowly,” he said. “You can’t cut everyone off all at once. We need to cut them out gradually. Do it a little every year.”

New Commissioner David Weatherly
David Weatherly is new to the Hickman Commission and officially took office on January 1, 2013, he provides some insight to what he knows at this point, looking forward. “I understand that some of the city’s old debt has been retired,” he said. “I think the new dispatch will save us some money. I also believe our finances may be looking up a little. If we can manage to hire the right person for City Manager, that will be another positive for the city.”



David Weatherly

January is National School Board Appreciation month

January is National School Board Appreciation Month. There will be a reception for the school board members at the Fulton County School Board Meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. at the central office on Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013.

Following the reception the three new school board members will be installed and officers will be elected at the regular school board meeting. Please join us in honoring our school board members Wiley Gannon, Rob Garrigan, Barry Patrick, Perry Turner, and Dale Vowell.



2012 FIREMAN OF THE YEAR - Wade Adams (left) was honored as the 2012 Fireman of the Year for the Hickman Volunteer Fire Department. Fire Chief Jackie Duncan (right) presented the award to Adams on Thursday, Jan. 3 during fire drill. (Photo submitted.)

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with renewable energy at a rate pf 40 mWh per year of electricity. One of the units will be portable in order to demonstrate a biomass-to-energy model to area farmers, industry and others.

Others awarded grants include the following: Kentucky School Boards Association, Pennyrile RECC, Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) (Frankfort), Governor’s Office of Agricultural Policy, Fayette County Public Schools, Perdue Farms Incorporated (Beaver Dam), Bowling Green Independent Schools, Southern Tier Housing Corporation (London),

Mountain Association for Community Economic Development (MACED) (Berea), Department for Local Government, and Lord Corporation (Bowling Green).

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SENIOR Spotlight

Marianna Harris
Parent's names: Christy Lattus and Terry Harris
Brothers name: John Harris
Sports you play: Volleyball
Position you play: Captain of the Varsity team.
Favorite thing about your sport: Serving the ball.
Church involvement: Member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Plans after graduation: Attend Murray State or West Kentucky Community and Technical College and major in Nursing. Become a RN.
Clubs, activities, accomplishments, and etc.: FBLA, HOSA, FFA, Beta, and JAM2 Club. Honor Roll all 4 years and Top 10 of my class all 4 years. I received my CNA certification my Junior year.
Favorite part of school: Going to Miss Heather's class and learning something new about the health field.
Fondest memory while at Fulton County High School: Our Senior Parade and running through the hallways on the first day of school.

Damontrell Pierce
Parent's names: Anthony Pierce and Brenda Pierce
Brothers and sisters names: Lynette Crumble, and Rod Cheirs (R.I.P)
Sports you play (if any): Basketball #12, Football #4, and Track and Field
Position you play: Everything
Favorite thing about your sport (what makes you enjoy playing): I just love the sport.
Plans after graduation: Going to college to get a better education.
Favorite part of school: 3rd and 6th Period because I have classes with Denisha and Shaquon
Something interesting about yourself: I might go to Murray State to play football.
Fondest memory while at Fulton County High School: First day as a Senior and our Senior Parade.

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